SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 217

By Finney R.

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Justin Arunthamakun, 2007 Valedictorian of Sevier County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Justin Arunthamakun is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2007 graduating class at Sevier County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Arunthamakun has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Justin has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average while participating in several extracurricular organizations, including the Beta Club, which he served as President; the student government; the tennis team, for which he stood as Captain; the golf team, which he served as Co-Captain; the Teen Board; the jazz and marching bands; the baseball team, and the Yearbook Staff; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Justin Arunthamakun was chosen to participate in the Governor's School and the American Legion Boys' State; earned Top Ten Percent, Super Sevierian, Mr. Junior, and Most Likely to Succeed honors; was crowned as the Tennessee Beta Math Champion; and earned numerous class awards; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Arunthamakun's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success: and

WHEREAS, Justin's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, John and Sue Arunthamakun, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Justin Arunthamakun's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2007 Sevier County High School Valedictorian, Justin Arunthamakun, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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